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MEMORANDUM FOR THE INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Proposed Amendment to NIE 52-56: PROBABLE DEVELOPMENTS
IN PAKISTAN

1. NIE 52-56: Probable Developments in Pakistan was approved by the IAC on 13 November.

2. The estimate included the views of the IAC of the probable impact of the Middle East situation on Pakistan. (Conclusion H and paragraphs 15, 51, and 56 of the 9 November text, as amended.)

3. No mention was made of the possible effect of the Middle East crisis on the Pakistan economy. The Board of National Estimates now believes that the reader's attention should be invited to the fact that some adverse effects are likely to result even though we cannot estimate their extent.


4. The Board therefore recommends the inclusion of a footnote to the caption "Probable Developments" preceding paragraph 31 to read as follows:

"There will be some adverse effects to the Pakistan economy as a result of the dislocations in international trade arising from the blocking of the Suez Canal. We cannot now estimate the extent of these adverse effects."

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5. Please notify the IAC Secretary of your concurrence (or non-concurrence) in the above amendment. (Code 143, Extension 563) In view of the fact this estimate is now being printed, please let us know your decision as soon as possible.

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